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Minnesota's June Unemployment Rates at Lowest Level in 16 Years

Minnesota's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased slightly from 3.5 percent in May to 3.6 percent in June. This is well below the 5.9 percent rate of a year ago. National rates remained at 6 percent in June from May, down from 6.9 percent a year ago.

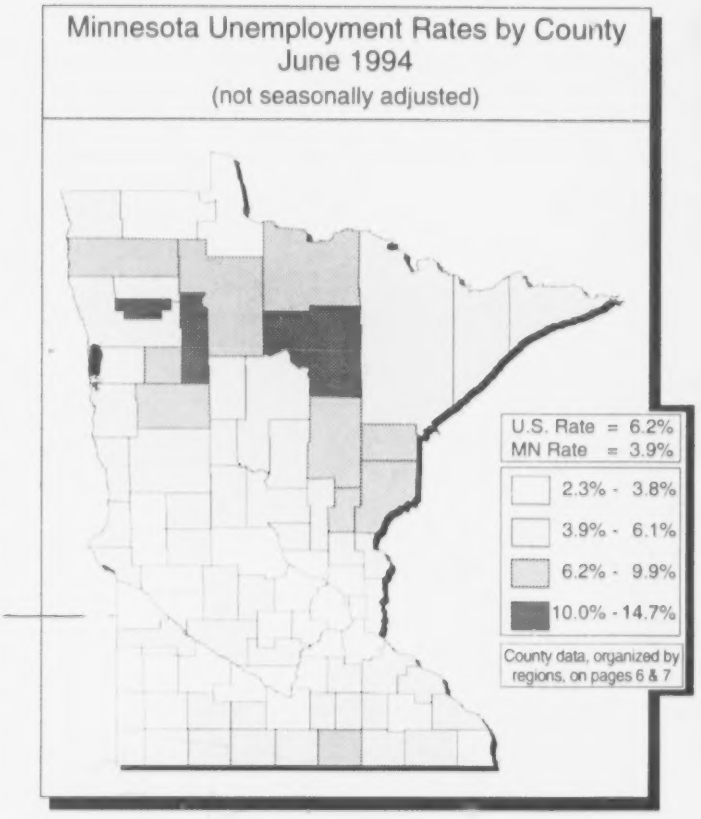
The unadjusted rates for Minnesota increased from 3 percent in May to 3.9 percent in June, down from 5.5 percent a year ago. Typically, Minnesota experiences an increase in its unadjusted unemployment rate from May to June. The U. S. unadjusted rate increased from 5.9 percent in May to 6.2 percent in June, down from 7.1 percent a year ago.

These are the lowest June unemployment rates, seasonally adjusted and unadjusted, since June 1978. In 1978, the unadjusted rate was 4 percent and the seasonally adjusted rate was 3.6 percent.

The seasonal increase in unemployment from May to June was spread among the regions of the state. There was no change in the regions having the highest and lowest average unemployment rates. The highest average June rate was 7.1 percent in the northeast region, up from 5.9 percent in May. The lowest average June rate was 3.2 percent in the southwest region, up from 2.4 percent in May.

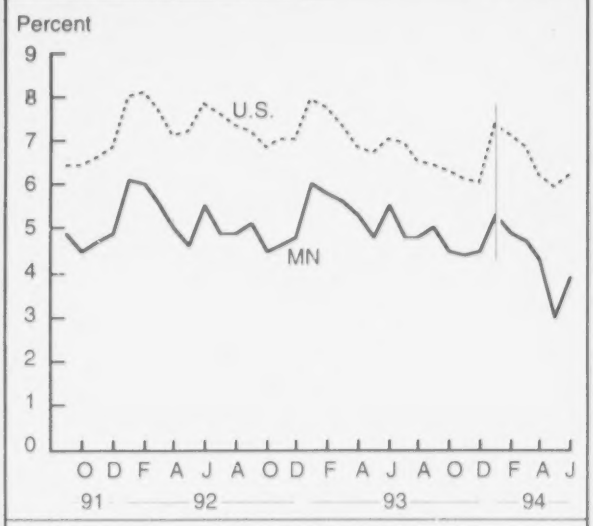
Among the counties, Red Lake County had the highest unemployment rate at 14.7 percent in June, up from 11.5 percent in May. Houston County continued to have the lowest unemployment rate. Its rate increased from 1.7 percent in May to 2.3 percent in June.

From a separate monthly survey of employers, the number of nonfarm wage and salary jobs in Minnesota was up 2.7 percent in June from a year ago. This increase of 62,300 jobs is over 16 percent greater than the average June-to-June increase over the last 10 years. The national increase for June from a year ago was also 2.7 percent. On a seasonally adjusted basis, Minnesota's nonfarm wage and salary employment is up 2.8 percent compared to an increase of 2.7 percent for the U. S.


Minnesota Unemployment Rates by County
June 1994
(not seasonally adjusted)
U.S. Rate = 6.2%
MN Rate = 3.9%
2.3% - 3.8%
3.9% - 6.1%
6.2% - 9.9%
10.0% - 14.7%
County data, organized by regions, on pages 6 & 7

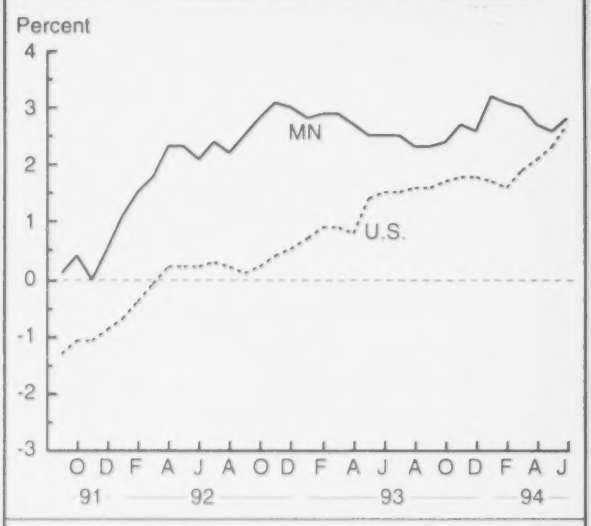
Services continues to be the industry group with the greatest job gain, 28,700, over the past year. Business services, up 9,400 jobs, and amusement and recreation services, up 5,100 jobs, were the services areas with the greatest growth. In Minnesota, 46 percent of the job gain was in services compared to 54 percent for the nation. The other major industry groups with large job gains were trade with an increase of 10,500 jobs, government with an increase of 8,300 jobs and manufacturing with an increase of 7,900 jobs.

Monthly Unemployment Rate: U.S. and MN (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



Starting in January 1994 the unemployment rate is based on new survey methodology.

Total Nonfarm Jobs: U.S. and MN Percent Change From Year Ago



Minnesota Shows Strong Job Growth In June

☆ The **Twin Cities** area added 30,500 jobs since June 1993, a 2.1 percent increase. This represents half of the new jobs gained statewide in June of 1994. All major industry groups showed gains except for construction and transportation, communications and public utilities.

☆ The **St. Cloud** area continues to lead the state's metropolitan areas in job growth, with a 3.1 percent increase over the year (2,400 jobs). Services, manufacturing and trade were the largest job producers. Construction and mining was up 8.2 percent.

☆ The **Rochester** area had a net gain of 450 jobs over the year, for a 0.6 percent increase. There were healthy gains in trade and all services categories except health services, which declined over the year.

☆ The **Duluth-Superior** area grew 725 jobs since last June, a 0.7 percent gain in total nonfarm employment. Manufacturing and construction were the two main job producers.

☆ The **Fargo-Moorhead** area grew 2,000 new jobs since June of 1993 for an increase of 2.4 percent. The strongest gains were in the goods producing sector, and in construction in particular. The **Grand Forks-East Grand Forks** area showed a 2.6 percent increase (1,150 new jobs) over the year.

Employer Survey of Minnesota Nonfarm Payroll Jobs, Hours and Earnings

Industry	Jobs* (thousands)			Percent Change From		Production Workers Hours & Earnings**					
						Average Weekly Earnings		Average Weekly Hours		Average Hourly Earnings	
	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	Jun 1993
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	2,330.6	2,313.2	2,268.3	0.7	2.7	---	---	---	---	---	---
GOODS PRODUCING	513.8	500.0	502.6	2.8	2.2	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mining	8.0	7.7	8.2	3.2	-2.0	709.07	703.40	44.4	43.5	15.97	16.17
Metal Mining	5.9	5.8	6.1	2.3	-4.0	722.48	723.75	44.0	42.3	16.42	17.11
Construction	89.7	83.8	86.2	7.1	4.1	728.60	714.62	40.5	39.2	17.99	18.23
Manufacturing	416.1	408.5	408.2	1.9	1.9	515.41	494.91	41.2	40.6	12.51	12.19
Durable Goods	238.4	234.6	233.0	1.6	2.3	527.93	506.74	41.8	40.8	12.63	12.42
Lumber, Wood, and Furniture	25.9	24.2	24.3	7.1	6.7	549.94	510.08	40.2	37.7	13.68	13.53
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	9.5	9.0	8.8	5.2	7.6	622.36	600.21	46.9	46.6	13.27	12.88
Primary Metals	6.4	6.4	6.0	0.0	5.8	602.98	581.68	44.5	44.0	13.55	13.22
Fabricated Metals	31.5	31.3	32.2	0.7	-1.9	574.76	569.73	42.2	41.8	13.62	13.63
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	76.6	76.2	76.2	0.6	0.5	571.52	549.58	41.9	40.8	13.64	13.47
Computer and Office Equipment	30.7	30.4	31.1	0.8	-1.4	616.69	664.62	41.5	41.8	14.86	15.90
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	31.7	31.3	30.8	1.3	3.0	423.67	403.74	41.7	40.7	10.16	9.92
Transportation Equipment	12.7	12.7	11.8	0.1	7.9	522.50	488.82	41.8	40.6	12.50	12.04
Instruments and Related Products	34.4	34.1	34.6	1.1	-0.5	462.79	449.92	41.1	40.1	11.26	11.22
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	9.6	9.4	8.3	1.9	16.4	423.60	417.11	40.0	40.3	10.59	10.35
Nondurable Goods	177.7	173.9	175.2	2.2	1.4	498.54	480.76	40.4	40.4	12.34	11.90
Food and Beverage Products	51.1	48.2	50.9	6.0	0.4	433.90	425.17	40.4	40.3	10.74	10.55
Textile Mill Products and Apparel	5.3	5.2	5.1	1.3	4.1	344.89	320.39	37.9	36.7	9.10	8.73
Paper and Allied Products	33.3	33.0	33.8	0.9	-1.3	646.77	606.66	42.3	42.1	15.29	14.41
Printing and Publishing	55.2	55.0	53.4	0.3	3.3	474.83	451.94	38.2	38.3	12.43	11.80
Chemicals & Petroleum & Coal Products	13.1	12.8	13.1	2.4	0.1	704.88	684.87	43.7	44.1	16.13	15.53
Rubber, Plastics and Leather Products	19.8	19.8	19.0	0.1	3.8	460.65	457.80	41.5	42.0	11.10	10.90
SERVICE PRODUCING	1,816.8	1,813.2	1,765.7	0.2	2.9	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	110.4	110.1	109.7	0.2	0.6	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation	75.5	75.8	75.1	-0.4	0.5	---	---	---	---	---	---
Trucking and Warehousing	28.5	27.6	28.2	3.1	1.0	429.16	408.77	39.3	34.7	10.92	11.78
Communications and Utilities	34.8	34.3	34.6	1.5	0.8	651.88	669.10	37.4	38.3	17.43	17.47
Trade	554.7	549.3	544.1	1.0	1.9	280.90	272.20	29.6	29.3	9.49	9.29
Wholesale Trade	136.3	135.5	132.7	0.6	2.7	485.78	463.59	38.8	38.6	12.52	12.01
Retail Trade	418.4	413.8	411.4	1.1	1.7	220.31	215.99	26.9	26.6	8.19	8.12
Building Materials and Garden Supplies	19.4	18.9	18.7	2.6	4.1	364.00	360.18	35.0	34.5	10.40	10.44
General Merchandise Stores	56.4	55.1	55.6	2.4	1.5	231.05	227.95	29.1	29.3	7.94	7.78
Food Stores	57.5	56.4	56.9	1.9	1.1	244.41	264.31	27.4	29.4	8.92	8.99
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	46.5	46.5	44.8	-0.1	3.7	350.89	343.73	36.1	35.4	9.72	9.71
Apparel and Accessories Stores	19.8	19.7	19.3	0.7	2.3	152.19	152.51	23.2	22.9	6.56	6.66
Furniture, Home Furn., & Equip. Stores	16.8	16.8	15.9	-0.2	5.3	322.64	328.25	31.6	32.5	10.21	10.10
Eating and Drinking Places	145.4	143.4	143.6	1.4	1.3	134.40	128.95	21.3	20.5	6.31	6.29
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE)	139.7	139.2	136.8	0.3	2.1						
Finance	63.8	63.6	61.5	0.3	3.8						
Insurance	53.2	53.0	51.8	0.3	2.7						
Real Estate	22.8	22.6	23.6	0.5	-3.5						
Services	646.2	640.2	617.4	0.9	4.7						
Personal Services	24.1	24.3	23.9	-0.7	0.7						
Business Service	120.5	117.5	111.1	2.6	8.5						
Automotive and Misc. Repair Services	24.3	24.0	23.4	0.9	3.6						
Health Services	186.1	184.4	184.0	0.9	1.1						
Nursing and Personal Care Facilities	47.6	47.2	46.7	1.0	2.1						
Hospitals	55.9	55.5	56.4	0.8	-0.8						
Legal Services	16.7	16.2	16.6	2.6	0.5						
Private Educational Services	28.8	36.5	27.1	-21.1	6.1						
Government	365.9	374.3	357.6	-2.3	2.3						
Federal Government	34.5	34.3	33.9	0.6	1.6						
State Government	82.7	88.3	80.5	-6.4	2.7						
State Government Education	44.5	50.3	42.5	-11.6	4.7						
Local Government	248.8	251.7	243.3	-1.2	2.3						
Local Government Education	131.2	139.1	127.5	-5.7	2.9						

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Industry	Jobs* (thousands)			Percent Change From		Production Workers Hours & Earnings**					
						Average Weekly Earnings		Average Weekly Hours		Average Hourly Earnings	
	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	Jun 1993
TOTAL NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY	1,495.1	1,487.5	1,464.6	0.5	2.1	---	---	---	---	---	---
GOODS PRODUCING	322.7	316.7	320.1	1.9	0.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mining	0.5	0.5	0.5	8.8	7.3	861.33	826.66	47.3	45.9	18.21	18.01
Construction	52.5	49.9	52.7	5.3	-0.3	773.85	779.52	38.5	38.4	20.10	20.30
Manufacturing	269.6	266.3	266.9	1.2	1.0	539.97	531.22	41.0	40.8	13.17	13.02
Durable Goods	156.6	154.5	155.7	1.4	0.6	554.86	548.69	41.5	41.1	13.37	13.35
Lumber, Wood, and Furniture	10.5	9.4	10.0	12.2	5.8	621.15	578.02	40.1	37.1	15.49	15.58
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	3.4	3.3	3.3	2.3	1.6	690.90	722.39	47.0	46.1	14.70	15.67
Primary Metals	4.9	4.9	4.6	0.1	5.4	603.00	591.85	45.0	44.4	13.40	13.33
Fabricated Metals	23.7	23.4	24.4	1.1	-3.0	603.59	618.86	41.8	41.9	14.44	14.77
Industrial Machinery and Equipment	52.1	51.8	52.3	0.6	-0.4	589.99	576.46	41.0	41.0	14.39	14.06
Computer and Office Equipment	19.0	19.0	19.7	0.3	-3.3	635.74	650.23	38.0	39.1	16.73	16.63
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	19.6	19.6	18.5	0.3	6.3	430.54	426.82	41.8	41.6	10.30	10.26
Transportation Equipment	5.4	5.5	5.3	-1.1	2.3	664.62	648.19	41.8	41.9	15.90	15.47
Instruments and Related Products	31.0	30.7	31.4	1.1	-1.2	485.58	475.57	40.6	40.2	11.96	11.83
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	5.9	5.9	5.9	-0.4	0.8	462.80	479.98	40.0	41.2	11.57	11.65
Nondurable Goods	113.0	111.9	111.2	1.0	1.6	521.56	509.49	40.4	40.5	12.91	12.58
Food and Beverage Products	19.6	19.3	19.4	1.6	1.0	512.46	525.64	43.1	42.7	11.89	12.31
Paper and Allied Products	26.3	26.0	26.3	0.8	-0.3	571.86	523.50	40.5	40.3	14.12	12.99
Printing and Publishing	39.5	39.3	38.3	0.5	3.0	479.44	459.42	37.9	38.0	12.65	12.09
Chemicals & Petroleum & Coal Products	11.8	11.6	11.6	2.4	1.7	739.91	735.01	44.6	44.9	16.59	16.37
Rubber and Misc Plastics Products	12.8	12.7	12.6	0.2	1.4	469.27	469.41	41.2	41.8	11.39	11.23
SERVICE PRODUCING	1,172.4	1,170.8	1,144.5	0.1	2.4	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	77.5	77.7	77.9	-0.2	-0.5	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transportation	55.6	56.0	56.1	-0.7	-0.9	---	---	---	---	---	---
Trucking and Warehousing	18.6	18.3	18.4	1.8	1.4	445.91	409.69	36.7	33.2	12.15	12.34
Communications and Utilities	21.9	21.7	21.8	1.0	0.4	661.30	676.88	36.8	37.5	17.97	18.05
Trade	352.4	348.8	344.5	1.0	2.3	313.63	301.06	29.7	29.4	10.56	10.24
Wholesale Trade	89.5	88.8	87.6	0.8	2.2	532.51	508.44	38.2	38.2	13.94	13.31
Retail Trade	262.9	260.0	256.9	1.1	2.3	244.62	235.94	27.0	26.6	9.06	8.87
Building Materials and Garden Supplies	11.2	11.0	10.7	1.4	4.6	395.08	417.75	33.2	33.5	11.90	12.47
General Merchandise Stores	36.9	36.0	36.4	2.5	1.5	260.78	256.61	29.5	29.7	8.84	8.64
Food Stores	33.1	32.3	32.4	2.4	2.0	295.41	291.68	29.6	30.8	9.98	9.47
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	27.0	26.9	25.6	0.4	5.5	410.15	393.44	36.2	35.8	11.33	10.99
Apparel and Accessories Stores	13.5	13.5	13.3	0.4	1.9	155.05	159.17	23.6	23.9	6.57	6.66
Furniture, Home Furn., & Equip. Stores	11.5	11.6	10.9	-0.9	5.5	394.06	411.26	32.3	33.3	12.20	12.35
Eating and Drinking Places	93.3	91.8	91.7	1.6	1.7	149.46	141.60	21.2	20.2	7.05	7.01
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (FIRE)	110.7	110.4	108.0	0.3	2.5						
Finance	47.7	47.7	45.7	0.1	4.4						
Insurance	44.9	44.6	43.9	0.5	2.1						
Real Estate	18.1	18.1	18.3	0.2	-1.0						
Services	423.8	421.2	409.4	0.6	3.5						
Personal Services	16.8	17.0	16.8	-0.7	0.2						
Business Services	99.1	96.8	93.6	2.4	5.8						
Automotive and Misc. Repair Services	17.8	17.6	17.2	1.4	3.4						
Health Services	108.4	107.7	106.3	0.7	2.0						
Nursing and Personal Care Facilities	25.8	25.6	25.3	1.0	1.9						
Hospitals	33.5	33.2	33.6	0.9	-0.3						
Legal Services	13.5	13.1	13.3	2.9	1.3						
Private Educational Services	15.4	20.0	15.7	-23.0	-2.2						
Government	207.9	212.7	204.7	-2.2	1.6						
Federal Government	22.3	22.3	21.8	0.0	2.7						
State Government	57.4	59.6	55.9	-3.7	2.6						
State Government Education	32.8	35.1	31.6	-6.5	3.7						
Local Government	128.2	130.7	127.0	-1.9	1.0						
Local Government Education	68.4	73.1	67.3	-6.4	1.6						

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Employer Survey of St. Cloud MSA and Rochester MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	St. Cloud MSA					Rochester MSA				
	Jobs			% Chg. From		Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993	May 1994	Jun 1993
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	78,126	80,085	75,763	-2.4	3.1	70,921	70,006	70,468	1.3	0.6
Goods Producing	18,501	17,878	17,623	3.5	5.0	13,746	13,289	14,593	3.4	-5.8
Construction and Mining	4,021	3,648	3,717	10.2	8.2	2,471	2,264	2,550	9.1	-3.1
Manufacturing	14,480	14,230	13,906	1.8	4.1	11,275	11,025	12,043	2.3	-6.4
Durable Goods	7,396	7,334	7,114	0.8	4.0	9,021	9,017	10,088	0.0	-10.6
Nondurable Goods	7,084	6,896	6,792	2.7	4.3	2,254	2,008	1,955	12.3	15.3
Service Producing	59,625	62,207	58,140	-4.2	2.6	57,175	56,717	55,875	0.8	2.3
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	2,795	2,803	2,721	-0.3	2.7	2,032	1,986	1,993	2.3	2.0
Trade	23,892	23,907	23,444	-0.1	1.9	15,055	14,961	14,151	0.6	6.4
Wholesale Trade	4,252	4,200	4,127	1.2	3.0	1,910	1,875	1,862	1.9	2.6
Retail Trade	19,640	19,707	19,317	-0.3	1.7	13,145	13,086	12,289	0.5	7.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	2,436	2,410	2,365	1.1	3.0	1,935	1,924	1,882	0.6	2.8
Services	18,690	19,708	18,089	-5.2	3.3	30,729	30,378	30,552	1.2	0.6
Health Services	5,885	5,822	5,926	1.1	-0.7	19,715	19,497	20,064	1.1	-1.7
Other Services	12,805	13,886	12,163	-7.8	5.3	11,014	10,881	10,488	1.2	5.0
Government	11,812	13,379	11,521	-11.7	2.5	7,424	7,468	7,297	-0.6	1.7

Employer Survey of Duluth and Duluth-Superior MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	Duluth					Duluth-Superior MSA				
	Jobs			% Chg. From		Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993	May 1994	Jun 1993
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	52,418	52,515	52,088	-0.2	0.6	102,616	101,873	101,889	0.7	0.7
Goods Producing	5,122	4,976	5,214	2.9	-1.8	17,800	17,207	16,961	3.4	4.9
Mining	——	Combined with construction		——		5,329	5,223	5,080	2.0	4.9
Construction	1,825	1,677	1,741	8.8	4.8	4,091	3,681	3,676	11.1	11.3
Manufacturing	3,297	3,299	3,473	-0.1	-5.1	8,380	8,303	8,205	0.9	2.1
Durable Goods	1,226	1,223	1,357	0.2	-9.7	4,546	4,474	4,498	1.6	1.1
Nondurable Goods	2,071	2,076	2,116	-0.2	-2.1	3,834	3,829	3,707	0.1	3.4
Service Producing	47,296	47,539	46,874	-0.5	0.9	84,816	84,666	84,928	0.2	-0.1
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	3,152	3,164	3,304	-0.4	-4.6	6,116	5,950	6,359	2.8	-3.8
Trade	13,325	13,041	13,141	2.2	1.4	26,485	25,933	26,346	2.1	0.5
Wholesale Trade	2,120	2,110	2,021	0.5	4.9	4,200	4,150	4,201	1.2	0.0
Retail Trade	11,205	10,931	11,120	2.5	0.8	22,285	21,783	22,145	2.3	0.6
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	2,300	2,300	2,274	0.0	1.1	3,524	3,480	3,489	1.3	1.0
Services	16,383	16,510	16,433	-0.8	-0.3	27,554	27,468	27,441	0.3	0.4
Health Services	7,185	7,193	7,087	-0.1	1.4	11,288	11,261	11,305	0.2	-0.2
Other Services	9,198	9,317	9,346	-1.3	-1.6	16,266	16,207	16,136	0.4	0.8
Government	12,136	12,524	11,722	-3.1	3.5	21,137	21,835	21,293	-3.2	-0.7

Employer Survey of East Grand Forks/Grand Forks MSA and Fargo/Moorhead MSA Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Industry	East Grand Forks/Grand Forks					Fargo/Moorhead				
	Jobs			% Chg. From		Jobs			% Chg. From	
	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993	May 1994	Jun 1993
Total Nonfarm Wage and Salary	45,650	47,300	44,500	-3.5	2.6	86,150	86,350	84,150	-0.2	2.4
Goods Producing	5,550	5,350	4,950	3.7	12.1	12,250	11,700	11,150	4.7	9.9
Construction and Mining	2,600	2,300	2,200	13.0	18.2	5,700	5,200	5,000	9.6	14.0
Manufacturing	2,950	3,050	2,750	-3.3	7.3	6,550	6,500	6,150	0.8	6.5
Durable Goods	1,200	1,250	1,100	-4.0	9.1	3,500	3,450	3,100	1.4	12.9
Nondurable Goods	1,750	1,800	1,650	-2.8	6.1	3,050	3,050	3,050	0.0	0.0
Service Producing	40,100	41,980	39,550	-4.4	1.4	73,900	74,650	73,000	-1.0	1.2
Transportation, Comm., and Utilities	2,300	2,350	2,250	-2.1	2.2	4,600	4,650	4,750	-1.1	-3.2
Trade	12,200	12,500	12,400	-2.4	-1.6	24,600	24,500	24,400	0.4	0.8
Wholesale Trade	2,400	2,500	2,300	-4.0	4.3	7,300	7,300	7,200	0.0	1.4
Retail Trade	9,800	10,000	10,100	-2.0	-3.0	17,300	17,200	17,200	0.6	0.6
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	1,650	1,650	1,550	0.0	6.5	5,450	5,400	5,300	0.9	2.8
Services	12,650	12,750	11,950	-0.8	5.9	24,100	24,100	23,800	0.0	1.3
Health Services	4,800	4,700	4,700	2.1	2.1	8,400	8,500	8,700	-1.2	-3.4
Other Services	6,700	6,900	6,100	-2.9	9.8	2,900	2,800	3,000	3.6	-3.3
Government	11,300	12,700	11,400	-11.0	-0.9	15,150	16,000	14,750	-5.3	2.7

Labor Force Estimates

County/Area	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate of Unemployment		
	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993
United States ('000s)												
(Seasonally adjusted)	130,248	130,774	128,056	122,430	122,872	119,187	7,817	7,902	8,869	6.0	6.0	6.9
(Unadjusted)	132,115	130,602	129,839	123,864	122,946	120,586	8,251	7,656	9,252	6.2	5.9	7.1
Minnesota												
(Seasonally adjusted)	2,550,125	2,594,212	2,463,571	2,459,317	2,503,956	2,335,835	90,808	90,256	127,736	3.6	3.5	5.2
(Unadjusted)	2,596,852	2,581,533	2,510,259	2,496,121	2,503,095	2,372,634	100,731	78,438	137,625	3.9	3.0	5.5
Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA)*												
Mpls.-St. Paul MSA	1,584,186	1,577,913	1,528,059	1,531,981	1,537,817	1,453,582	52,205	40,096	74,477	3.3	2.5	4.9
Duluth-Superior MSA	120,359	119,011	117,637	112,734	112,823	108,308	7,625	6,188	9,329	6.3	5.2	7.9
St. Cloud MSA	90,334	92,067	86,666	86,825	89,380	81,969	3,509	2,687	4,697	3.9	2.9	5.4
Rochester MSA	67,563	66,778	64,540	65,265	65,034	62,190	2,298	1,744	2,350	3.4	2.6	3.6
East Grand Forks MSA	67,603	67,914	64,185	64,907	65,943	61,380	2,696	1,971	2,805	4.0	2.9	4.4
Fargo-Moorhead MSA	93,522	91,580	89,311	90,784	89,739	86,313	2,738	1,841	2,998	2.9	2.0	3.4
Region 1	51,069	51,114	49,681	48,048	48,716	45,928	3,021	2,398	3,753	5.9	4.7	7.6
Kittson	2,617	2,581	2,632	2,477	2,454	2,458	140	127	174	5.3	4.9	6.6
Marshall	4,870	4,823	4,983	4,426	4,455	4,393	444	368	590	9.1	7.6	11.8
Norman	3,766	3,678	3,784	3,568	3,520	3,500	198	158	284	5.3	4.3	7.5
Pennington	7,770	7,748	7,423	7,399	7,386	6,784	371	362	639	4.8	4.7	8.6
Polk	21,382	21,807	20,383	20,075	20,867	19,004	1,307	940	1,379	6.1	4.3	6.8
Red Lake	2,232	2,202	2,103	1,904	1,949	1,823	328	253	280	14.7	11.5	13.3
Roseau	8,432	8,275	8,373	8,199	8,085	7,966	233	190	407	2.8	2.3	4.9
Region 2	34,708	34,540	34,011	32,314	32,551	30,891	2,394	1,989	3,120	6.9	5.8	9.2
Beltrami	17,798	17,627	17,323	16,617	16,756	15,898	1,181	871	1,425	6.6	4.9	8.2
Clearwater	3,920	3,826	4,015	3,416	3,371	3,378	504	455	637	12.9	11.9	15.9
Hubbard	7,334	7,409	7,243	6,933	6,991	6,633	401	418	610	5.5	5.6	8.4
Lake of the Woods	2,295	2,270	2,264	2,211	2,180	2,148	84	90	116	3.7	4.0	5.1
Mahnomen	3,361	3,408	3,166	3,137	3,253	2,834	224	155	332	6.7	4.5	10.5
Region 3	155,458	153,119	153,349	144,439	144,138	139,659	11,019	8,981	13,690	7.1	5.9	8.9
Aitkin	5,915	5,714	5,797	5,431	5,308	5,134	484	406	663	8.2	7.1	11.4
Carlton	15,735	15,836	15,275	14,601	14,955	14,010	1,134	881	1,265	7.2	5.6	8.3
Cook	3,024	2,716	2,910	2,902	2,588	2,758	122	128	152	4.0	4.7	5.2
Itasca	19,440	19,012	19,783	17,164	17,128	17,375	2,276	1,884	2,408	11.7	9.9	12.2
Koochiching	6,670	6,368	6,885	6,023	5,833	6,009	647	535	876	9.7	8.4	12.7
Lake	5,808	5,315	5,793	5,499	5,055	5,325	309	260	468	5.3	4.9	8.1
St. Louis	98,866	98,158	96,906	92,819	93,271	89,048	6,047	4,887	7,858	6.1	5.0	8.1
City of Duluth	43,755	43,418	42,670	41,286	41,487	39,609	2,469	1,931	3,061	5.6	4.4	7.2
Bal of St. Louis Cnty	55,111	54,740	54,236	51,533	51,784	49,439	3,578	2,956	4,797	6.5	5.4	8.8
Region 4	105,987	104,661	102,171	101,379	101,181	95,856	4,608	3,480	6,315	4.3	3.3	6.2
Becker	13,036	12,939	12,968	12,168	12,261	11,468	868	678	1,500	6.7	5.2	11.6
Clay	29,229	29,089	27,963	27,992	28,312	26,643	1,237	777	1,320	4.2	2.7	4.7
Douglas	16,192	15,877	15,486	15,554	15,411	14,606	638	466	880	3.9	2.9	5.7
Grant	3,347	3,311	3,087	3,245	3,213	2,921	102	98	166	3.0	3.0	5.4
Otter Tail	27,378	26,751	26,282	26,252	25,865	24,622	1,126	886	1,660	4.1	3.3	6.3
Pope	5,268	5,302	5,265	5,055	5,111	4,993	213	191	272	4.0	3.6	5.2
Stevens	5,660	5,615	5,473	5,498	5,454	5,284	162	161	189	2.9	2.9	3.5
Traverse	1,950	1,880	1,910	1,858	1,812	1,809	92	68	101	4.7	3.6	5.3
Wilkin	3,927	3,897	3,737	3,757	3,742	3,510	170	155	227	4.3	4.0	6.1
Region 5	71,767	69,463	68,494	68,002	66,342	63,457	3,765	3,121	5,037	5.2	4.5	7.4
Cass	11,787	11,261	11,158	11,084	10,677	10,168	703	584	990	6.0	5.2	8.9
Crow Wing	27,591	26,399	25,822	26,273	25,306	24,102	1,318	1,093	1,720	4.8	4.1	6.7
Morrison	15,237	14,990	14,865	14,320	14,222	13,639	917	768	1,226	6.0	5.1	8.2
Todd	10,943	10,712	10,696	10,389	10,264	9,954	554	448	742	5.1	4.2	6.9
Wadena	6,209	6,101	5,953	5,936	5,873	5,594	273	228	359	4.4	3.7	6.0
Region 6E	60,300	59,327	58,472	57,702	57,285	54,972	2,598	2,042	3,500	4.3	3.4	6.0
Kandiyohi	20,834	20,583	19,850	20,019	19,957	18,907	815	626	943	3.9	3.0	4.8
McLeod	20,532	19,941	19,925	19,783	19,316	18,765	749	625	1,160	3.6	3.1	5.8
Meeker	9,727	9,700	9,412	9,199	9,300	8,650	528	400	762	5.4	4.1	8.1
Renville	9,207	9,103	9,285	8,701	8,712	8,650	506	391	635	5.5	4.3	6.8
Region 6W	26,517	25,975	24,994	25,489	25,170	23,802	1,028	805	1,192	3.9	3.1	4.8
Big Stone	2,870	2,792	2,916	2,746	2,705	2,752	124	87	164	4.3	3.1	5.6
Chippewa	7,069	6,944	6,557	6,801	6,710	6,255	268	234	302	3.8	3.4	4.6
Lac Qui Parle	4,239	4,090	4,108	4,082	3,986	3,938	157	104	170	3.7	2.5	4.1
Swift	5,581	5,605	5,192	5,402	5,451	4,908	179	154	284	3.2	2.7	5.5
Yellow Medicine	6,758	6,544	6,221	6,458	6,318	5,949	300	226	272	4.4	3.5	4.4

*Note: State, regional and local estimates from past months (shown in tables on pages 6 and 7) may be revised from figures previously published.

Labor Force Estimates

County/Area	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate of Unemployment		
	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994	May 1994	Jun 1993
Region 7E	60,763	60,750	59,272	57,672	58,190	54,712	3,091	2,560	4,560	5.1	4.2	7.7
Chisago	16,786	16,817	16,396	16,133	16,206	15,304	653	611	1,092	3.9	3.6	6.7
Isanti	13,959	13,892	13,582	13,395	13,455	12,706	564	437	876	4.0	3.1	6.4
Kanabec	6,880	7,013	6,950	6,372	6,612	6,180	508	401	770	7.4	5.7	11.1
Mille Lacs	10,191	10,198	10,230	9,629	9,734	9,458	562	464	772	5.5	4.5	7.5
Pine	12,947	12,830	12,114	12,143	12,183	11,064	804	647	1,050	6.2	5.0	8.7
Region 7W	155,747	157,525	150,256	150,124	152,965	142,013	5,623	4,560	8,243	3.6	2.9	5.5
Benton	18,647	19,024	17,934	17,885	18,412	16,885	762	612	1,049	4.1	3.2	5.8
Sherburne	25,132	25,082	24,369	24,278	24,388	23,030	854	694	1,339	3.4	2.8	5.5
Stearns	71,687	73,043	68,732	68,940	70,968	65,084	2,747	2,075	3,648	3.8	2.8	5.3
Wright	40,281	40,376	39,221	39,021	39,197	37,014	1,260	1,179	2,207	3.1	2.9	5.6
Region 8	67,039	66,112	64,654	64,896	64,512	61,804	2,143	1,600	2,850	3.2	2.4	4.4
Cottonwood	6,786	6,642	6,296	6,483	6,448	5,992	303	194	304	4.5	2.9	4.8
Jackson	6,054	6,046	5,820	5,775	5,855	5,508	279	191	312	4.6	3.2	5.4
Lincoln	3,493	3,434	3,297	3,361	3,343	3,157	132	91	140	3.8	2.6	4.2
Lyon	15,754	15,604	15,267	15,367	15,309	14,778	387	295	489	2.5	1.9	3.2
Murray	4,766	4,651	4,699	4,595	4,510	4,480	171	141	219	3.6	3.0	4.7
Nobles	10,468	10,289	10,307	10,168	10,068	9,829	300	221	478	2.9	2.1	4.6
Pipestone	5,176	5,170	5,061	5,035	5,041	4,733	141	129	328	2.7	2.5	6.5
Redwood	9,243	9,140	8,919	8,973	8,918	8,501	270	222	418	2.9	2.4	4.7
Rock	5,299	5,136	4,988	5,139	5,020	4,826	160	116	162	3.0	2.3	3.2
Region 9	121,126	120,105	118,297	116,834	116,651	111,919	4,292	3,454	6,378	3.5	2.9	5.4
Blue Earth	32,872	33,087	31,457	31,982	32,448	30,204	890	639	1,253	2.7	1.9	4.0
Brown	15,108	14,703	14,783	14,605	14,197	14,009	503	506	774	3.3	3.4	5.2
Faribault	8,414	8,239	8,294	8,075	7,945	7,775	339	294	519	4.0	3.6	6.3
Le Sueur	13,297	13,497	12,954	12,812	12,999	12,100	485	498	854	3.6	3.7	6.6
Martin	11,488	11,074	11,861	10,944	10,676	10,906	544	398	955	4.7	3.6	8.1
Nicollet	17,648	17,794	16,910	17,223	17,474	16,266	425	320	644	2.4	1.8	3.8
Sibley	7,009	6,811	6,900	6,633	6,516	6,389	376	295	511	5.4	4.3	7.4
Waseca	9,008	8,780	9,095	8,659	8,525	8,509	349	255	586	3.9	2.9	6.4
Watonwan	6,282	6,120	6,043	5,901	5,871	5,761	381	249	282	6.1	4.1	4.7
Region 10	248,055	245,411	239,910	237,870	237,735	227,807	10,185	7,676	12,103	4.1	3.1	5.0
Dodge	9,569	9,518	9,083	9,126	9,149	8,489	443	369	594	4.6	3.9	6.5
Fillmore	10,686	10,422	10,627	10,221	10,052	9,990	465	370	637	4.4	3.6	6.0
Freeborn	17,179	16,919	17,532	15,861	15,864	16,472	1,318	1,055	1,060	7.7	6.2	6.0
Goodhue	24,876	24,790	23,819	23,864	24,035	22,607	1,012	755	1,212	4.1	3.0	5.1
Houston	10,501	10,593	10,182	10,257	10,412	9,762	244	181	420	2.3	1.7	4.1
Mower	19,562	19,335	18,834	18,802	18,736	18,009	760	599	825	3.9	3.1	4.4
Olmsted	67,563	66,778	64,540	65,265	65,034	62,190	2,298	1,744	2,350	3.4	2.6	3.6
City of Rochester	45,485	44,800	43,476	43,688	43,533	41,630	1,797	1,267	1,846	4.0	2.8	4.2
Rice	29,175	28,579	28,567	27,889	27,623	26,751	1,286	956	1,816	4.4	3.3	6.4
Steele	18,334	18,202	17,468	17,568	17,629	16,533	766	573	935	4.2	3.1	5.4
Wabasha	11,455	11,439	10,943	10,993	11,079	10,359	462	360	584	4.0	3.1	5.3
Winona	29,155	28,836	28,315	28,024	28,122	26,645	1,131	714	1,670	3.9	2.5	5.9
Region 11	1,438,318	1,433,431	1,386,700	1,391,353	1,397,658	1,319,818	46,965	35,773	66,882	3.3	2.5	4.8
Anoka	159,089	158,827	154,088	153,651	154,348	145,752	5,438	4,479	8,336	3.4	2.8	5.4
Carver	31,577	31,527	30,422	30,733	30,873	29,153	844	654	1,269	2.7	2.1	4.2
Dakota	185,011	184,579	177,799	179,532	180,345	170,301	5,479	4,234	7,498	3.0	2.3	4.2
Hennepin	648,230	645,548	625,813	626,572	629,411	594,357	21,658	16,137	31,456	3.3	2.5	5.0
City of Bloomington	57,398	57,022	55,213	55,575	55,827	52,718	1,823	1,195	2,495	3.2	2.1	4.5
City of Minneapolis	214,629	213,324	207,386	206,051	206,985	195,457	8,578	6,339	11,929	4.0	3.0	5.8
Ramsey	284,181	282,946	273,283	274,429	275,672	260,319	9,752	7,274	12,964	3.4	2.6	4.7
City of St. Paul	149,033	148,113	143,796	142,892	143,539	135,545	6,141	4,574	8,251	4.1	3.1	5.7
Scott	37,073	37,003	35,812	35,979	36,142	34,129	1,094	861	1,683	3.0	2.3	4.7
Washington	93,157	93,001	89,483	90,457	90,867	85,807	2,700	2,134	3,676	2.9	2.3	4.1

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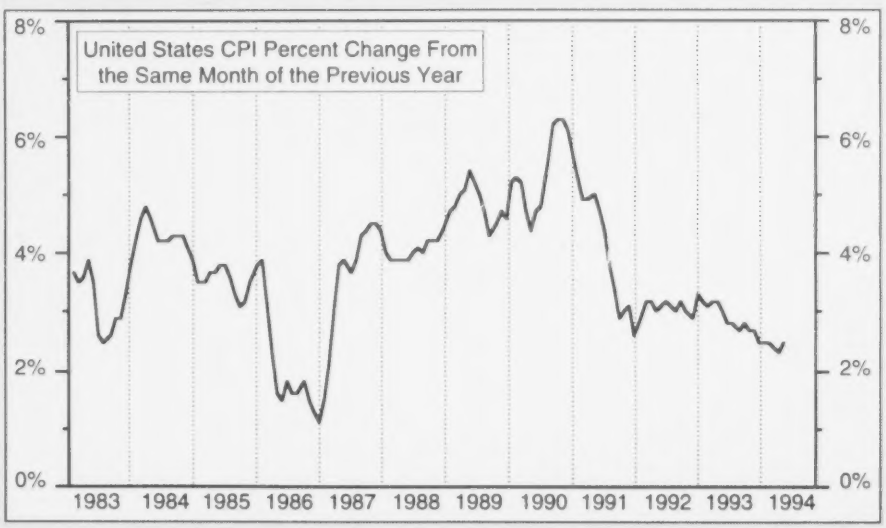
Consumer Price Indexes (CPI)



U.S. CPI % Change From One Year Ago	
1993	
Jun	3.0
Jul	2.8
Aug	2.8
Sep	2.7
Oct	2.8
Nov	2.7
Dec	2.7
Annual Average	3.0
1994	
Jan	2.5
Feb	2.5
Mar	2.5
Apr	2.4
May	2.3
Jun	2.5

The annual change in the U.S. CPI reached an eight-year low in May. Prices rose only 2.3 percent from their levels one year earlier. In June, this rise in the cost of living inched back up to 2.5 percent, which was still lower than at any time in 1993.

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